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even
there, if all the other States ^{should} take a wrong Course,
it is impossible to say. The news from Illinois
(vide last Philanthropist) assures us that the
Legislatures of Connecticut & NYork, are already
joining hands with those of the Slave States, in
urging the Claims of the South upon the legislative
attention of the free States! — Let me ask your
Editorial attention to this startling fact. —

The Crisis has not arrived — depend upon
it — but it will probably Come Soon. —

And as you lately said to me, in another
Connexion, nothing short of the Almost
miraculous Providence of God can save
us, unless we come ^{up} to our whole duty
like men — & without a moment's delay.

In my letter to Bro Jacobs, I
gave him some outlines of my forth
coming letter to L Bacon. — I can
hardly presume ^{that} you will have room
& time to circulate them thro' your
columns. But the Subject, in some
way, ought to be well understood at

the East. — I have labored, & am still
laboring intensely, on the Subject. On no other
Subject, since I first took up the Editorial pen,
have I felt more intensely. — I feel it to
be the very point where the death struggle must
come. — Hold the ^{leading members of the} seceding Chergy in check —
now* — There will be some hope [I mean of
saving the Liberties of the Nation.] If not, despotism
must come, and liberty to the freemen of the North,
will only come, (if ever) as the winding up scene in
the terrible drama which will chastise our guilty
Nation, & enfranchise the Slaves of the South.

P.S. If I am not too much exhausted,
by the time I have done with L Bacon, I
am not ^{entirely} incapacitated from en-
tering the extremist of the Administration. I
intend — God willing — to come down. But
I am compelled to leave my doubts whether
I shall.

* This can only be done
by an appeal to their dear of past
humane infamy : vide letter of
Leonard Bacon.

Yours, as ever.

W. W. W.

and ^{and at the same time} with drawing his Sanction from the
Report - and I think you will readily see that
if his Letter should be liable to such a Con-
struction, its publication would do us much
hurt - as it would give Bacon the main advan-
tage he probably hoped to secure, in the writing of
his Letter. - You will judge - in view of
the whole case, whether the Letter would be thus
Construed, & if so, whether it had better be
published till you write about it to Gerrit Smith
- or whether you can append to it a note
which will prevent misconception.

I rec^d. a Letter last Saturday from Bro.
Jocelyn, & immediately wrote him an answer (which
I should be glad to have you peruse). - I am
equally desirous with Bro. Jocelyn that Bro. Smith
should answer Bacon's Letter himself, but am still
more solicitous that no attendant Circumstances or
omission - or unguarded expression, should give Mr.
Bacon the triumph over you in Connecticut,
& the region about N. York. - As to this region
I shall endeavor to take care of that matter,
and have no fears, - I mean in respect to that
particular matter. - I have fears that the grand
Ecumenical Combination throughout the Country
of which Bacon appears to be the Nucleus - the
Center, and the spokesman, will succeed in effecting
- what I doubt not, is their grand object, the
preparation of the public mind, (by the previous sanction
of the Clergy) for severe legislative enactments through-
out the Country against us. Not more than 3 States
(N. Mass. & N. H.) can be considered as even tolerably
secure. And what reaction might not take place

Mr. A. I am not too much alarmed.

